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## Ranger Students Featured On Museum Website



The Ranger Middle School students of Lindsey Havermale use Amelia Earhart's 1931 landing to show how Ranger is truly unique. *photo courtesy of Ranger Middle School*

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In accordance with the project guidelines laid out by their Kids Creating Community Content grant, the 7th and 8th grade students of Lindsey Havermale at Ranger Middle School engaged in a research and broadcasting project designed to explain why Ranger is unique.

After much discussion, the students chose to focus their project on Amelia Earhart and her landing at Ranger field in the 1931 Beech-Nut Transcontinental Autogiro Tour.

"We chose Amelia Ear-

hart because she was a unique part of Ranger. From the past to now there are so many differences, so it was really interesting to see those differences," reported RMS student Samantha Colley

Havermale's students used the internet, the microfiche at their library, and texts like "Ranger Boom Town Days" and "Images of Ranger" to reconstruct Ranger's history of the day that Amelia Earhart landed in their small town.

"What we all learned was how important Amelia was to a lot of people

back then. It was really a big thing for them," reported RMS student Emma Barnes.

One thing that Havermale's students noticed in the course of their research however was that the website for the Lincoln Highway National Museum in Galion, Ohio failed to note Ranger as one of Earhart's stops in 1931! Deciding that this simply wont do, the class contacted Craig Harmon, the museum director, who immediately corrected this mistake and now features the RMS class on their own page in

the LHM website.

RMH Student Crystal Poland reported that, "what is so great about being publicly on the internet is that people get to see what you did, because we put so much work into it... and now people can use it in their own research."

The hard work of Ranger's students can be found at <http://www.lincoln-highway-museum.org/Earhart/Ranger-Index.html>, further proving that part of what makes Ranger unique is surely its dedicated and passionate students.